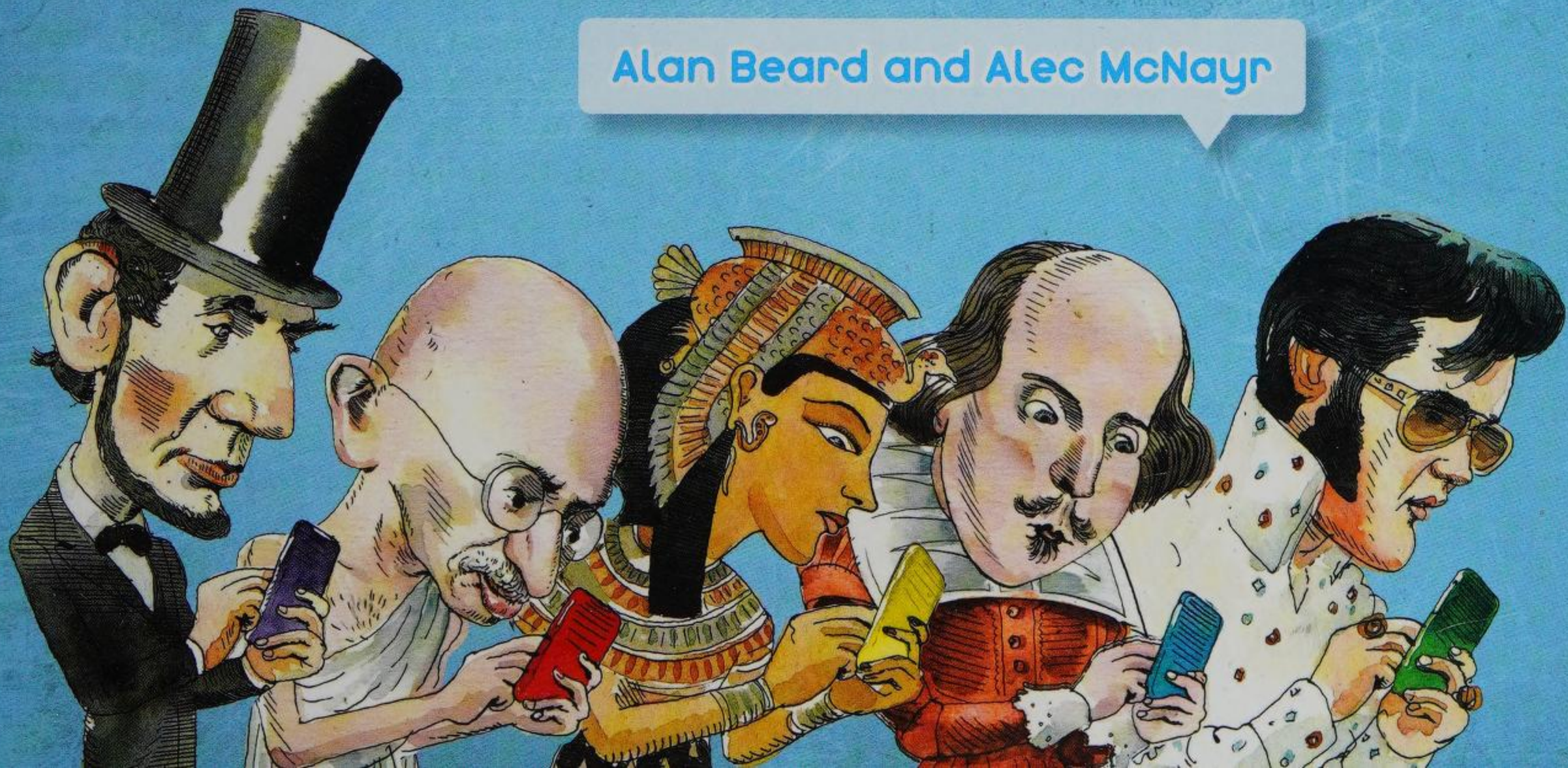
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To our wives, Sharon and Katie

5:06 PM April 27, 2010 from HistoricalTweets.com



AlanandAlec

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Henry VIII
They sound wonderful, but I'd probably still kill them.



Ray Charles
Are they as hot as I imagine them to be?



Ike Turner
I'd hit that.

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introduction

History books have been ruining history. So much analysis. So much effort to put events into proper context. So many unnecessary words.

Then, just when scholars had given up hope that history could again fascinate the electronically addled and pop culture-obsessed current citizens of planet Earth, we uncovered a side of history that had long been rumored but never confirmed: the tweets of bygone eras.

The world might never have known what is now accepted as irrefutable fact: tweets have existed since the dawn of time. From the ancients to space robots and every leader and thinker in between, tweets have been the dominant communication platform for the sharing of an embarrassing confession, a hidden truth, an iconic observation, or an untimely boast.

Now, with *Historical Tweets*, history's most amazing men and women can be fully understood, 140 characters at a time. You're welcome.

1 and then there was twitter

Cro-Magnum, P.I.

pet rocks

drag by hair

hottest clubs

Me cold now.

cavewoman naked

cave refinancing

Big Bang loud

apple recipes

hunting

opposable thumbs

Why fire go out?

saber-tooth necklaces

grunt translator

wi-fire hot spots

gathering

What is wheel?

woolly mammoth weak spot

bronto ribs

original Jurassic parks

@God OMY! I'm naked!

3:11 PM July 22, 843234040 BC from tweeden



Adam1

Adam

Replies to **Adam1**



Eve @adam1 For the last time, my eyes are up here.

6:04 PM January 25, 843234039 BC from tweeden



Horse @adam1 What's a stallion got to do to keep you from riding bareback?

12:36 PM February 17, 843234039 BC from tweeden



3-Toed Sloth @adam1 You followed the awesome names giraffe and zebra by naming me 3-toed sloth? Weak, man. So very weak.

10:35 AM March 3, 843234039 BC from tweeden



Snake @adam1 You'll never get viruses if you go with Apple.

11:41 PM July 21, 843234039 BC from tweeden

Breaking up is hard to do.

11:21 PM October 8, 500694621 BC from crackberry



TheContinental

Pangea

Today's agenda: Keep fire alive, kill saber-tooth, and score tix to the Rolling Stones comeback tour.

8:18 AM January 9, 15001 BC from Cave Wide Web



cave_man

Brog

Watching fight between Goldsteinaceratops and Muhammasaurus Rex. This should end quickly.

4:55 PM April 2, 13374 BC from CaveOL



Thrak

Me Thrak

Cro-Magnon kids giggle nonstop every time I say “Homo erectus.”

2:14 PM September 17, 13358 BC from TweetSkool



1st_Teacher

Mrs. Mwarak

Other caveboys want to hunt and chase fire. My passions are interior design and show tunes. #cavepride

4:27 PM August 5, 9816 BC from Tweetie



Grok

Grok Grak

Male bonding with my crew today, asking the quintessential question: Betty or Wilma?

8:45 PM May 22, 9255 BC from iRock



Thrag

Caveman Thrag

Realtime search results for **#armstooshort**



T-Rex At the heart of my rage is the inability to do push-ups. #armstooshort
3:22 PM January 30, 30890546 BC from Twittersaurus



T-Rex Career thumb-war record: 0–248. #armstooshort
3:40 PM January 30, 30890546 BC from Twittersaurus



T-Rex Canceled subscription to Playboy. #armstooshort
4:10 PM January 30, 30890546 BC from Twittersaurus



T-Rex Unable to properly flip the pterodactyl. #armstooshort
4:52 PM January 30, 30890546 BC from Twittersaurus

Ark was already full, so I had to tell the dragons, dinosaurs, and unicorns I'd be "right back to pick them up." #mybad #extinction

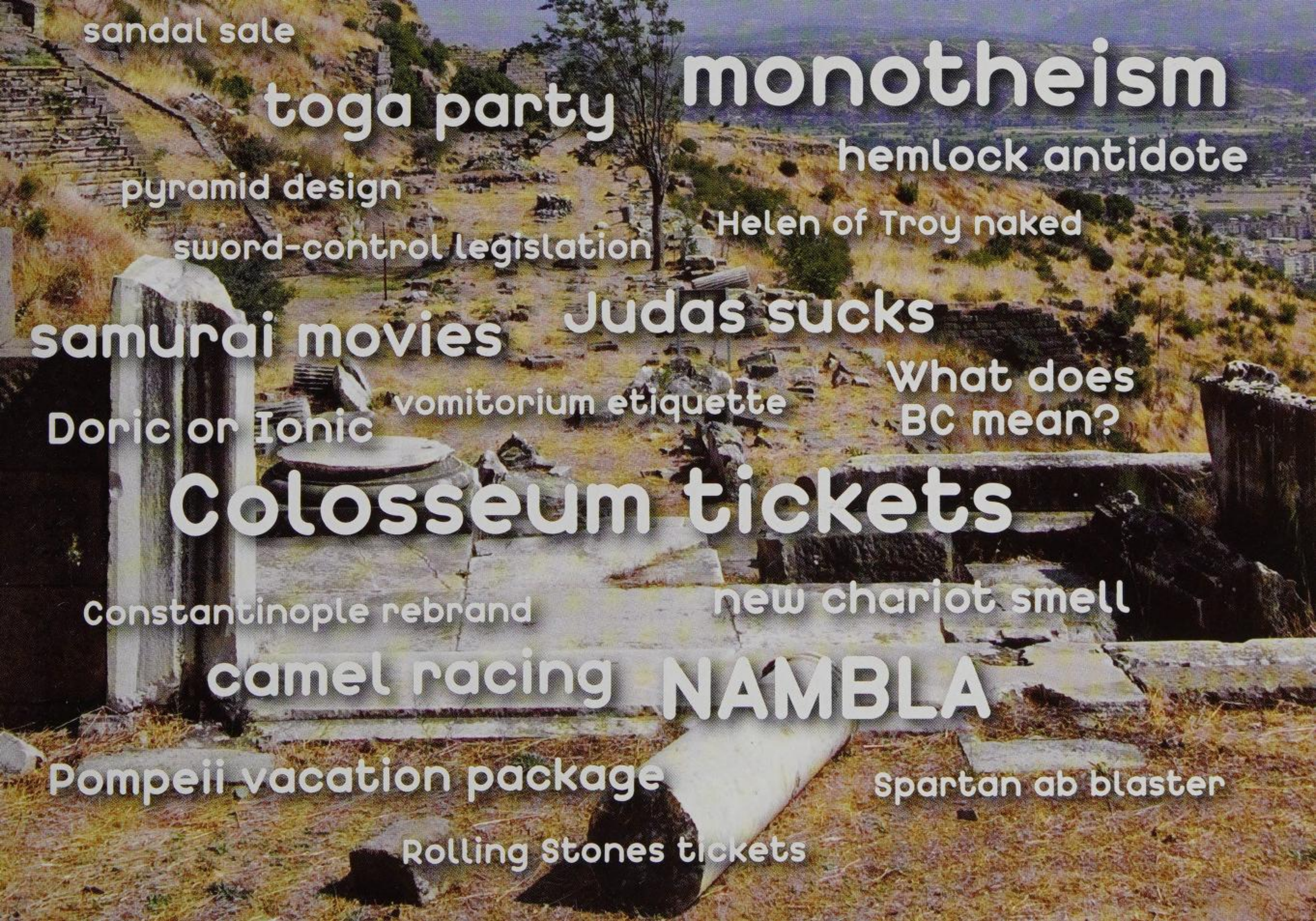
10:55 AM April 28, 6345 BC from tweetflood



CapnFlood

Noah

2 early followers


sandal sale
toga party
monotheism
hemlock antidote
pyramid design
Helen of Troy naked
sword-control legislation
samurai movies
Judas sucks
What does BC mean?
vomitorium etiquette
Doric or Ionic
Colosseum tickets
Constantinople rebrand
new chariot smell
camel racing
NAMBLA
Pompeii vacation package
Spartan ab blaster
Rolling Stones tickets

@Stonehenge Due to widespread henge-financing collapse, we're foreclosing on you. Sorry, Druids.

11:31 AM November 2, 2986 BC from bankruptwee



Celticwide

Celticwide, Inc.

Every time I wear my baggy pants and gold chains, everyone calls out “Go Hammur, go, Hammur, Code!”

8:44 PM February 27, 1780 BC from Canttouchthis



HammurTime

Hammurabi

Pressure is mounting, but Mom always says "Never put out after just one war."

10:56 PM May 20, 1235 BC from troytter



HoT

Helen of Troy

We mourn the fallen Greek midget battalion that gave their lives in the failed Trojan pony attack.

5:49 PM August 13, 1233 BC from Twempire



WarJockey

Agamemnon

Once I destroy this tiny shepherd, all will know that size and power always prevail. The "Goliath and David" metaphor will last forever.

8:55 PM September 15, 1022 BC from Giant URL



Go!-Liath

Goliath

Having a hard time explaining to my wife why the maid's breasts are suddenly solid gold.

10:21 PM April 22, 714 BC from 14CaratTweet



TheTouch

King Midas

Confucius say: “Why peepol ahrays quote me wis bad stereotype voice? I have feering, too.”

8:44 AM March 23, 488 BC from philosotwee



SoQuotable

Confucius

shrug

3:35 PM October 20, 452 BC from Randtweets



EarthSquats

Atlas

The newly opened Acropolis is an eyesore. One can only hope its ultramodern architecture will soon be forgotten.

12:58 PM May 15, 445 BC from acropotweets

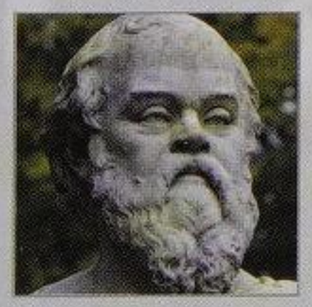


ColumnAsISee_em

Eustathios

Relieved that guard says that the headlock will be quick and painless.

7:23 PM October 1, 399 BC from sotweetic method

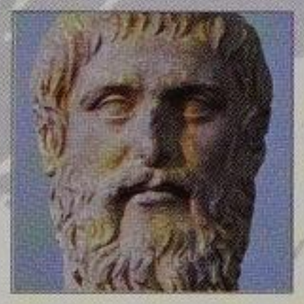


Socrazy

Socrates

So tired of the “let’s just be friends” talk.

9:33 PM February 14, 398 BC from fun factory



Mentalist

Plato

Accomplishments just earned me title "Alexander the Good." Must work harder.

11:01 AM August 14, 344 BC from grekotweets



Alexandr

Alexander III of Macedon

Unsuccessfully tried to measure the surface area of one of my big round pies... ugh. From now on, the pies are squared.

11:03 AM November 22, 256 BC from tweetmatician



MeasureMan

Archimedes

Hopped into the chariot wanting to get away from Rome for a couple days. Alas, no roads lead away from here.

4:27 PM August 9, 56 BC from MySalad



RomanRuler

Julius Caesar

@JuliusC Thanks for the birthday knife.
I'll always have your back.

3:43 PM March 14, 44 BC from Roman Twempire



8–2

Brutus

Accidentally turned wine into water.
This party sucks now. #mybad

9:59 PM March 21, 31 from BiblicalTweets.com



JC33

Jesus of Nazareth

3 advances and retweets

bubonic plague cures

Crusades news

round tables

Luther smackdown

Manhattan real estate

Elizabeth I naked

Rolling Stones tickets

Round Earth theory

Robin Hood

religious freedom

vikings before favre

West Indies Hotties

Da Vinci patents

team romeo

Shakespeare CliffsNotes

prank guillotines

Brittany spears

London Fire Department FAIL

Plymouth Rock location

95 theses rap lyrics

Spilled beard growth potion all over my lap. Now my “little wizard” is a Hairy Peter.

11:28 PM February 13, 516 from Twitter Magic



TheWiz

Merlin

@Mordred Your repeated requests for a corner seat are infuriating. Your idiocy will be the death of me.

12:17 PM June 18, 523 from Tweetalot



RoundTabler

King Arthur

To reduce complaints from our female fans and boost our street cred among neighboring villages, we will now be RAPPING and pillaging.

10:10 PM September 20, 980 from V.W.A.



Brutish_Horde

Vikings

If my legacy is nothing more than this delicious BBQ, I'll be happy.

12:46 PM July 14, 1223 from siberian tweets



ShockaKhan

Genghis Khan

Finally arrived in China. Feel like a fish out of water.

5:35 AM February 15, 1297 from Boost Mobile



Marco!

Marco Polo

My torturous death is but a small sacrifice knowing that it will lead inevitably to a free and independent Scotland.

6:07 PM August 23, 1305 from tweeeedom!



Kiltman

William Wallace

So many posers out today. #stpatricksday

2:49 PM March 17, 1423 from Sherwood Wi-Fi



StlFrmRch

Robin Hood

Forgot the sunscreen at home. OMG, I'll never be burned worse than I am now.

1:15 PM September 1, 1429 from Twittervisions

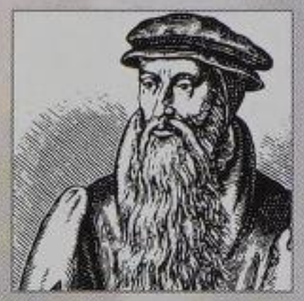


Joanie

Joan of Arc

Finally finished invention. Disappointed to learn that no one can read.

7:06 PM October 3, 1439 from wordpress



JGutenberg
Johannes Gutenberg

Mom kissed me goodbye this morning and said, “Son, you’re the center of the universe.”

8:14 AM January 22, 1484 from astrotweets



StarGazr

Nicolaus Copernicus

Advice for young artists: Visit the site before quoting a price for a “simple ceiling paint job.”

4:45 PM December 24, 1511 from Sistween Chapel



ArtyMike
Michelangelo

@Michelangelo I'll never forgive you for sculpting me the moment I got out of the pool...

3:14 PM October 26, 1504 from Tiny URL



ChiseledAbs

The David

@QueenIsabella Found West Indies. 500 years from now, Spain will undoubtedly be the richest and most dominant country in the world.

04:10 PM October 16, 1492 from new world tweets



Columbo

Christopher Columbus

Today I may die, but my vengeance shall flow for centuries.

2:55 PM July 1, 1520 from Tweetie #2



Mexiking

Montezuma

These new shoe inserts are incredibly comfortable.

9:30 AM March 5, 1519 from Dr. Tweets



LikeaFelon

Magellan

This celebrity marriage thing sucks. Paparazzi always trying to paint my portrait and yelling out, “When’s he going to kill you?”

3:13 PM June 22, 1533 from Westminster



OtherGirl

Anne Boleyn

What would I do without match.com?

10:34 PM June 2, 1540 from tweeter of london



Henry8
King Henry VIII

My mates and I are being forced to read @Chaucer. Is there anything more brutal than slogging through unreadable old English stories?

1:30 PM April 3, 1578 from tweetford-upon-avon



WillyShakes
William Shakespeare

Took an hour to get that bird crap out of my hair. Think I'll change it to "apple" when I tell the story.

7:05 PM July 6, 1666 from Apple Newton



Gravitas

Isaac Newton

Thinking of opening a cake store. It will make a killing.

11:22 AM October 12, 1793 from TweetCake



MarieAntoinette

Marie Antoinette



4 revolutionary and industrial tweets


cavalry training
Redcoats
tea party costumes
oral carpentry
cherry tree repair
Martha Washington naked
newfangled steam engine
robber barons
flag patterns
map to
Carnegie Hall
Rolling Stones tickets
famous last stands
Original Darwin Awards
Wyatt Earp training video
President Davis
Honoré de Balzac
sweat shops
Oregon Trail video game
Kitty Hawk runway
gold panning

Another dreadfully boring day. I wish something interesting would happen.

9:09 PM July 4, 1776 from kinglytweets

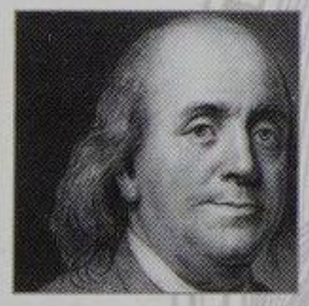


george3

King George III

It's all about the me's, baby.

8:11 PM December 17, 1781 from tweetkite



BeFrank

Benjamin Franklin

Hoping my “right to sexy slaves” won’t get cut from what I’ve dubbed the Bill of Oh-So-Rights.

11:34 AM September 7, 1787 from tweetstitutional

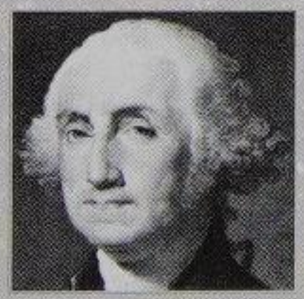


TJeffUSA

Thomas Jefferson

Dentist delivered the bad news: termites

10:47 AM August 9, 1791 from Cherry Twee



GWash

George Washington

@Clark Have u seen this: http://maps.google.com? Ugh. Last six months, wasted.

9:15 AM September 20, 1804 from twittertrail



Lewis

Meriwether Lewis

Can anyone recommend a cure for persistent nipple itch?

3:11 PM May 15, 1812 from twittere



Napoleon

Napoleon Bonaparte

.. /..-. .- .-. - . -.. .-.-.- LOL

7:40 PM September 10, 1837 from morsetweets

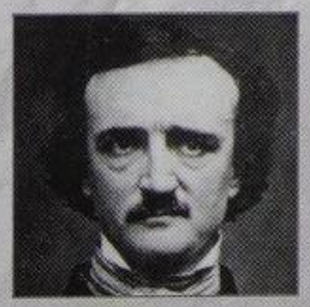


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Samuel Morse

Another bird stuck in my study—it's what I get for leaving the window open. Calling animal control.

8:49 PM January 2, 1845 from poetwee



Poeboy
Edgar Allan Poe

Anyone got a more creative way of saying "87 years?"

8:10 PM November 18, 1863 from Gettweesburg



honest_abe
Abraham Lincoln

Replies to **@honest_abe**



Albert Einstein @honest_abe A relative amount of space-time ago...

6:22 AM December 22, 1926 from twee=mc2



George Lucas @honest_abe "A long time ago at a battlefield far, far away."

9:30 AM April 30, 1977 from jarjartweets



Stephen Hawking @honest_abe I've got nothing for 87, but I do know $(87 \times 87 \times 10) + 4395 = 80085$.

5:39 PM October 30, 2003 from tweeticist



Bill Clinton @stephenhawking [high five]

11:06 PM August 4, 1997 from tweetsax

Sick of chatting with @Watson, but he's the only other person with a phone.

11:03 AM March 10, 1876 from tweetephone



alexGB

Alexander Graham Bell

gr8 show tonite. The Ford is the perfect venue for AAAAARRGH!!

10:14 PM April 14, 1865 from Tweet Theatre



honest_abe

Abraham Lincoln

@sitting_bull I warn you in advance, this battle will make me famous.

4:01 PM June 23, 1876 from Twittle Big Horn



GenCuster

George Custer

Damn candles! Will never get lucky unless I can “set the mood” w/o setting bed on fire.

10:01 PM November 11, 1877 from menlotweets



thom_edison

Thomas Alva Edison

Critic just said my new work was exciting and gay. LOL

9:30 PM September 23, 1881 from earnesttweets



wilde_man

Oscar Wilde

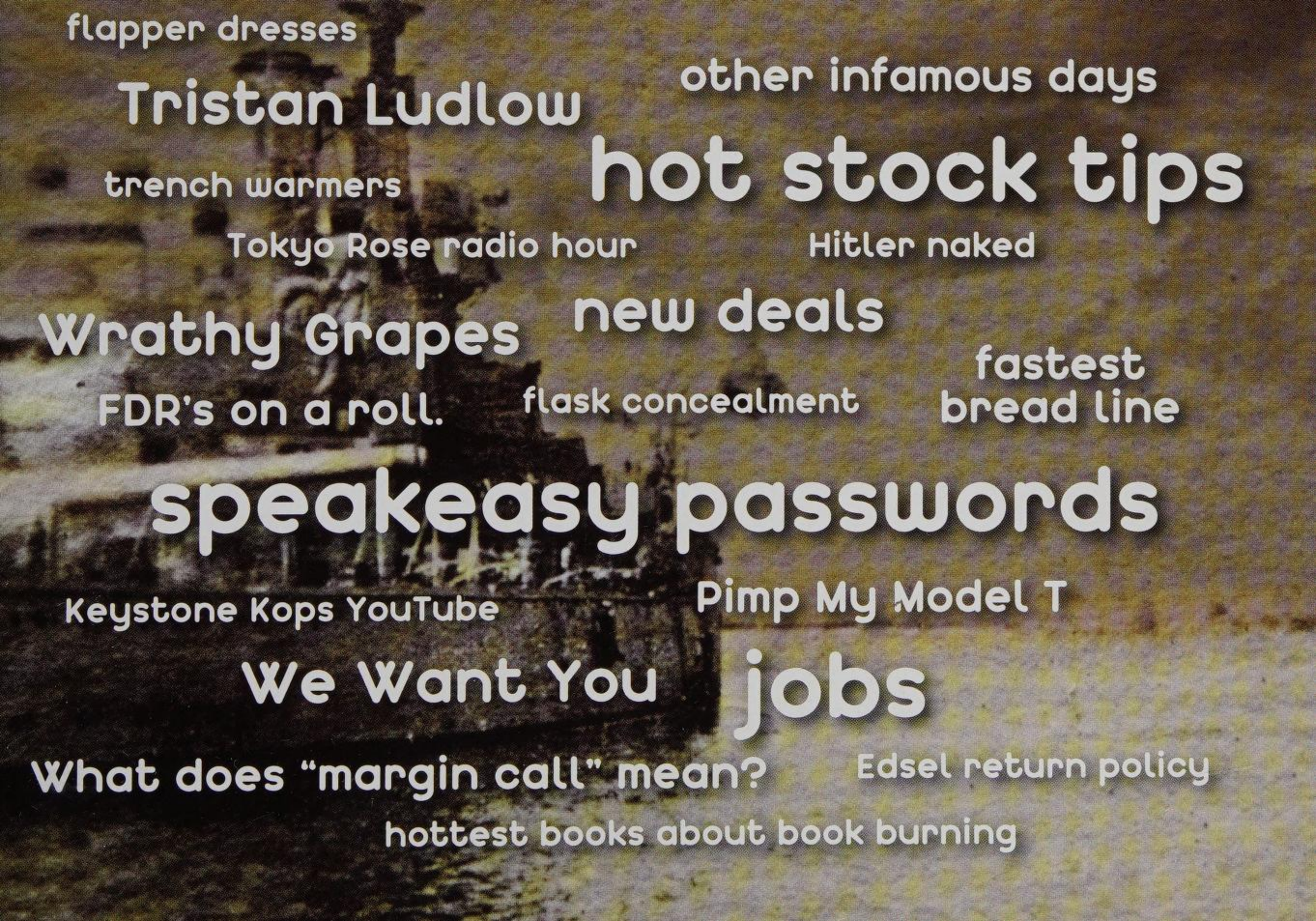
Realizing my nickname doesn't bode well for my longevity.

11:36 PM June 1, 1881 from Tweets'R'US



younggun
Billy the Kid

5 world wars and such


flapper dresses
Tristan Ludlow
other infamous days
hot stock tips
trench warmers
Tokyo Rose radio hour
Hitler naked
Wrathy Grapes
new deals
FDR's on a roll.
flask concealment
fastest bread line
speakeasy passwords
Keystone Kops YouTube
Pimp My Model T
We Want You
jobs
What does "margin call" mean?
Edsel return policy
hottest books about book burning

We've been told sunsets are beautiful, but have never had the pleasure.

10:10 AM December 31, 1899 from royaltweets



BritsRule
British Empire

Mother-in-law staying for 3 days. Feels like 100 years. #theoryofrelativity

9:16 AM May 5, 1902 from E=mc Tweet



TimeNSpace

Albert Einstein

Nothing I love more than a good Ethiopian joke. Their extreme malnutrition is completely hilarious.

10:44 AM January 30, 1906 from MiracleWorker

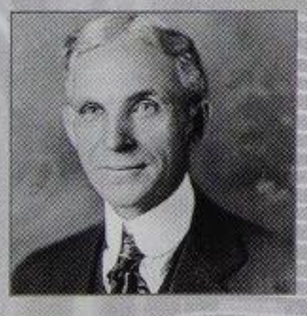


TalktotheHand

Helen Keller

@AssemblyLine Dudes, where's my cars?

10:12 AM Dec 10, 1908 from Model T(witter)



FordTough
Henry Ford

Great Humanitarians: Realtime search results for **punched**



Gandhi Punched an old lady today. Felt amazing.
10:36 PM May 22, 1947 from Pacitweets



Mother Teresa @gandhi punched me today.
10:36 PM May 22, 1947 from Tweresa



Princess Diana Punched an old lady today. Felt amazing.
4:42 PM November 19, 1993 from Twittingham Palace



Paul Newman @LadyDi punched me today.
4:42 PM November 19, 1993 from Twitman's Own

Just picked up 2nd Nobel prize. Someone said I looked pretty: “Absolutely radiant.”

9:31 PM December 10, 1911 from Twadioactive



UGloGirl

Marie Curie

8:40 PM November 29, 1924 from pantotweet



Honky

Harpo Marx

Psychic looked into crystal ball and said I would be a total douche bag with bad facial hair. Growing awesome mustache to prove her wrong.

3:44 PM January 17, 1923 from Mein Tweets



Hitler

Adolf Hitler

Had painter's block so I went to the clock store and dropped acid. Hope it helps later, because right now I can't remember anything.

12:35 PM February 9, 1931 from twwiiiiitter



Daliman

Salvador Dali

Trying new diet. Want to get back into my skinny jeans.

8:17 AM May 8, 1933 from pacitweets



gandhi

Mohandas Gandhi

At my current rate of success, alcohol will be eliminated forever in no time.

3:31 PM October 17, 1931 from prohitwition



Nesster

Eliot Ness

@Bonnie We're the rarest of breeds: heroic outlaws. No way this ends badly.

4:01 PM May 19, 1934 from Twittaway Car



Clyde

Clyde Barrow

Coach just assured me gold medal winner gets to kick @Hitler in the balls. #motivation

6:30 AM June 4, 1936 from USA Tweet & Field



BerlinBolt

Jesse Owens

Flying high after the world's largest airship was named in my honor, its majesty symbolic of Germany's unforgettable accomplishments.

9:37 PM May 3, 1937 from Tweet Deck



Hindenburg

Paul von Hindenburg

I just hope the world remembers me for my high IQ.

10:01 PM October 1, 1940 from sultanoftweet



The_Babe

Babe Ruth

@Hitler Fine, you can have another country if you promise to just take one.

7:12 AM September 30, 1938 from 10 Downing Tweet



Live2Appease

Neville Chamberlain

@Diary Forgot to put my iPhone on vibrate. Tense few minutes there.

5:33 PM January 8, 1944 from Verstecken von dem Bösen



Anne_Frank

Anne Frank

Realtime search results for **D-Day**



Dwight D. Eisenhower @Troops Yes, D-Day. D-Did I stutter?

10:15 PM June 6, 1944 from Twentagon



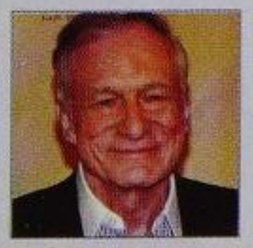
Rock Hudson Had to make out with D-Day today.

5:41 PM May 21, 1959 from Pillow Twalk



John F. Kennedy Secret Service code for meet-ups with Marilyn: Double-D Day.

11:17 PM October 9, 1962 from Twennedy



Hugh Hefner Every day is Double-D Day for me.

3:51 PM February 13, 1985 from The Mansion

@FDR I assumed YOU would be here, but who invited ol' Boris McMurderov?

8:03 AM, February 4, 1945 from Yaltahoo!



SirChill
Winston Churchill

We don't want to brag, but get ready for world peace and an endless era of international cooperation.

10:25 AM April 25, 1945 from peacetweets



UNPeace4EVA
United Nations

My detractors must not realize how difficult it is to do ANYTHING 25 million times.

1:17 PM August 16, 1950 from St. Twetersburg



HammerNSickle

Joseph Stalin

Best. Second. Wife. Eva.

9:45 PM February 14, 1947 from ArgenTwitter

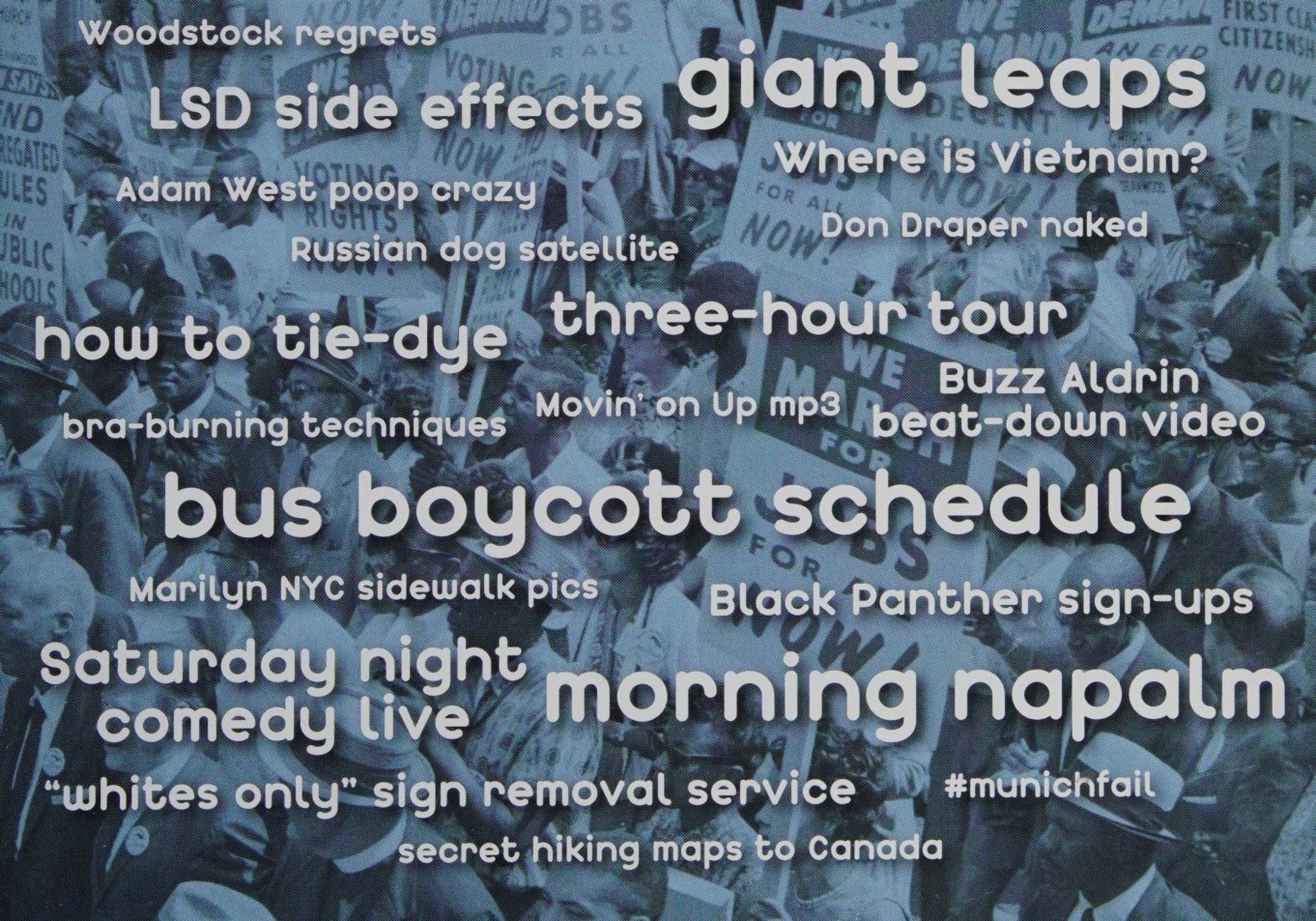


ArgentineKing

Juan Peron

6 turbulent tweets




Woodstock regrets
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Where is Vietnam?
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how to tie-dye
three-hour tour
Buzz Aldrin
bra-burning techniques
Movin' on Up mp3
beat-down video
bus boycott schedule
Marilyn NYC sidewalk pics
Black Panther sign-ups
Saturday night comedy live
morning napalm
"whites only" sign removal service
#munichfail
secret hiking maps to Canada

@RosaParks Trust us, you don't want to be known as "the woman who got arrested on the bus."

7:12 AM December 1, 1955 from BusTweet



MTA2857

Montgomery Bus #2857

Bought a sleep journal. I keep having dreams but forget to write them down.

11:19 PM June 4, 1960 from Mountaintwop



martinlkjr

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Just locked up Levi's sponsorship. So remember, Black Panthers: Buy any jeans necessary.

11:55 AM October 4, 1959 from Nation of Twislam



X

Malcolm X

If @SirEdmund asks for a piggyback ride one more time, I will trip him and race to the top alone.

11:40 AM May 27, 1953 from tweverest



EverestSherpa1

Tenzing Norgay

Some men dream of being a dictator. I dreamed I'd be a dictator with amazing hair. #NK

3:19 PM November 18, 1960 from North Kortweeta

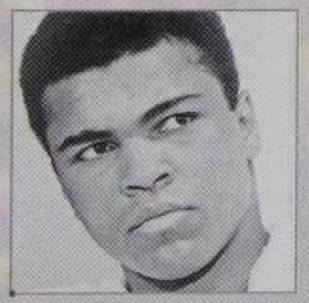


License2_Il

Kim Jong-il

First draft: Float like a butterfly, sting like a well-constructed insult. Thoughts?

2:30 PM October 29, 1960 from TweetKO



Ali

Muhammad Ali

@jfkennedy happy bday, mr. pres!
Guess who this is: o8-< (it's me).

9:39 PM May 29, 1962 from twitterflirt



Marilyn!

Marilyn Monroe

New girlfriend. Bandmates are going to love her.

4:44 PM November 15, 1966 from tweatles



Imaginer

John Lennon

Launching new start-up. Looking for silent pardners.

11:45 AM June 1, 1967 from Wild Twest



TheDuke

John Wayne

@BuzzAldrin Headed to the set... I mean moon. LOL. You been practicing slow-motion "no gravity" walk?

6:44 AM July 17, 1969 from one tweet for man



AstroNeil

Neil Armstrong

Toilet salesman said, “So comfortable, you’ll think you’ve died and gone to heaven.”

2:41 PM June 8, 1972 from tweethouserock



The King

Elvis Presley

What to wear, what to wear...

11:53 PM January 13, 1971 from itweeteverywhere



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Johnny Cash

You have to break a few eggs to make an omelet. And sometimes you have to break tens of millions.

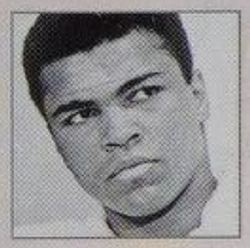
7:52 AM August 12, 1974 from ChopTweet



TweetingDragon

Mao Zedong

Realtime search results for **#thegreatest**



Ali Just smoked @JoeFrazier. I'll say it again. I am #thegreatest of all time.

1:17 PM October 1, 1975 from twitta in manila



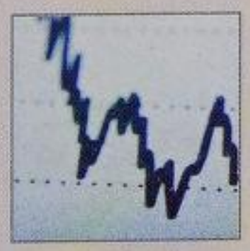
Great Fire of London @Ali So you smoked one guy... I torched an entire city. #thegreatest

2:37 AM September 6, 1666 from Twitterblaze



Great Wall of China @Ali Can YOU be seen from space? #thegreatest

11:42 AM March 19, 210 BC from Tweetgolia



Great Depression @Ali Dudes literally jumping out of windows. All I have to say. #thegreatest

6:48 PM January 21, 1941 from Twelfare Line

7 modern tweets

skinny ties

Mondale FTW

roids

LL vs. Kool Moe Dee

grunge flannel

Rick Astley music video

Madonna not naked

anything Oprah does

junk bond broker

Miami Vice shirts

Beta owners club

first half-white president

leg warmer sale

convert LP to cassette

one-armed drummer

Flipper Nation

flux capacitor

B. A. Baracus sleeping pills

dotcom stock portfolio

New Coke recipe

Career goal: become globally known for music and one other thing. I'm too boy crazy right now to figure out what the second thing will be.

9:22 PM November 11, 1976 from crocodile tweeting



Rocktman

Elton John

I must make sure my children avoid the circus-like atmosphere of a royal wedding.

4:06 PM July 29th, 1981 from Twittingham Palace



LadyDi
Diana, Princess of Wales

@RadioStar You're dead!

12:01 AM August 1, 1983 from MTweeV



Video

Music Videos

About to go on stage. @BubblesTheChimp ate one of my gloves. What now?

7:33 PM April 14, 1983 from twiller



OneGlove

Michael Jackson

@Reagan You love Robitussin, I love Sudafed. Let's just agree to disagree and end this cold war.

7:19 AM February 10, 1985 from commutweets



Gorby

Mikhail Gorbachev

I just hope my little baby boy grows up to have lots of friends.

10:13 AM May 15, 1984 from the social tweetwork



MarksMom

Karen Zuckerberg

About to meet with witness protection.
Wish me luck.

8:45 AM September 2, 1996 from all tweetz on me



Tupac

Tupac Shakur

World Wide Web proposal complete – I hope no one uses it for porn.

11:04 PM May 22, 1989 from intertweets



SirWWW

Tim Berners-Lee

After I go solo, these hags will just get poor and fat. Especially @Posh.

8:55 PM July 22, 1998 from if you wanna be my tweeter



GingerSpice

Geri Halliwell

Everyone is on board with a single currency but the Brits. Ridiculous! What could go wrong?

3:44 PM August 14, 1999 from EUTweets



EuroBank
European Central Bank

Retired superstars like me mostly hang out in bars.

11:05 AM December 5, 2008 from OJail



the_juiceman

O. J. Simpson

After all this blows over, I'll probably take a cruise. I love the cool ocean waters.

8:43 AM November 9, 2001 from cavetweets



BinHidin

Osama bin Laden

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We've received hundreds of historical tweets from our readers. Submit your own at our oh-so-easy-to-use website: HistoricalTweets.com.

Here's one to get you started: What did Elvis tweet after meeting President Nixon in the White House?

3:32 PM December 21, 1970 from wi-house



TheKing

Elvis Presley

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Uncovering history's secrets takes a clear head and a firm resolve, so we're unflinchingly fearless in our relentless pursuit of the truth. Here is a sampling of the hate tweets we've received... keep 'em coming.



Joseph Stalin I was just chatting with @Satan and we agree that your book sucks.

12:01 AM January 15, 2011 from Hatees



Dan Brown Putting words into the mouths of historical figures is unconscionable. You should be ashamed of yourselves.

8:14 AM September 15, 2011 from DanVinci Code



Ken Burns I hate everything about your book and site, but mostly I hate your brevity and lack of bangs. #140hoursorless

2:58 PM July 4, 2011 from the Me Effect

Smithsonian We are delighted to inform you that your book is being placed in each of our Smithsonian locations... just in case we run out of toilet paper.

4:59 PM April 27, 2011 from NaturalHistwee

Tweets from the Future

In the centuries that lie ahead, technologies such as Thought Tweets (automatic tweeting of every thought that enters your mind) and Inanimatweets (the ability for non-living objects to tweet) will be commonplace. Here's a little taste of tweets that haven't yet happened (but will).



Twitter Visit us at our new home: twitter.google.com

3:11 PM May 25, 2013 from exit strategy



Chicago Times In the 500th annual Biggest Douche Bag Ever contest, @Hitler remains undefeated. Will anyone ever knock him off his throne?

7:03 AM December 1, 2445 from digitalnews



Robot Overlord 01001001 00100000 01100110 01100001 01110010 01110100 01100101 01100100 00101110

6:44 PM April 17, 2850 from binary tweets



Astronaut Jones Watching the Goldsteinobot-XJ9 fight the Islaminator-5000. Hope this ends soon.

8:45 PM September 23, 3319 from orbitaltweets

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@Kissinger Which button do I push to erase my last 18 and a half tweets?

TRICKY_ME
9:52 PM, June 20, 1972

I live my life like a candle in the wind. Whatever that means. LOL #mwah #mwah

MARILYN!
7:09 PM, July 18, 1953

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